ANSWER KEY

SECTION 1

Example: C

- 1. A
- 2. C
- 3. A
- 4. B
- 5. C
- 6. A
- 7. B
- 8. B
- 9. C
- 10. C

SECTION 2

11. Tigers are the largest cats and they are the most powerful. They can also move extremely quickly. Their familiar orange fur is often covered by black and white marks.

SECTION 3 (PART A)

Example: Saturday 17th August

- 12. Cavendish
- 13. 2 miles
- 14. www.regent.co.uk
- 15. 19.30/7.30/7.30pm
- 16. 07968-445969

SECTION 3 (PART B)

Example: The Captain/Pilot

- 17. 459A
- 18. 400
- 19. 25°
- 20. rainy/rain
- 21. snack and drink

SECTION 4

Example: B

- 22. B
- 23. A
- 24. C
- 25. C
- 26. A

SECTION 5

Example: B

- 27. A
- 28. A
- 29. C
- 30. B
- 31. C

SECTION 6

Example: 1893

32. 75 minutes

33. Laxey

34. November to February

35. £5

SECTION 6 (CONTINUED)

Example: Spain

36. a mile

37. strong

38. Porto de Sono

39. museum [at Porto de Sono]

SECTION 7

Example: Fish

40. their feet

41. their mother

42. the nest

43. learn to fly

44. September

45. in West Africa

46. two years

SECTION 8

47. Sample answer:

Hi, Susie

I was reading a very interesting article about a bird called the Osprey. They are born in England in April but when they grow up and learn to fly they go to Africa and don't come back to England until they are two or three years old. They only eat fish, and have to fly close to the water and catch the fish with their feet. You can see them at a nature reserve called Rutland Water. Would you like to come with me to see them?

Daniel

SECTION 9

48. A. Sample answer:

I think the two important things that we need to concentrate on are food and exercise. Diet is important. It is good to think of the calories when you eat, and to make sure you eat plenty of fruit and vegetables. Especially green vegetables. It is probably a good idea to avoid carbohydrate foods like pizza and pasta, and to not eat too much meat. Doctors say you should try to get at least thirty minutes aerobic exercise every day, at least five days a week. More is obviously better. Personally, I eat badly and spend too much time in front of the television so I should follow my own advice.

48. B. Sample answer:

The most interesting place I have visited is Machu Picchu. I went there with a friend when I was a student. First we went to a town called Cuzco, and then we took a train to a small town called Aguas Calientes. We slept in Aguas Calientes and on the next day we got up very early and walked about two miles to Machu Picchu. The last part of the walk was very high, but the view was wonderful when we got there. We saw the old Inca city, and then climbed a Mountain above the ruins called Huayna Picchu. We slept in a hut on Huayna Picchu and the next morning we watched the sun come up over the old city. It was a wonderful experience.

TRANSCRIPTS

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SECTION 1

You will have 10 seconds to read each question and the corresponding options. Then listen to the recording. After the recording you will have 10 seconds to choose the correct option.

Put a cross **X** in the box next to the task you have chosen.

Example: Listen to the man talking. What is he talking about?

My name is Thomas King, and my book is 'The Last Farmer', a personal account of agriculture in North America.

The correct answer is C.

Number 1. What does the speaker want to tell us about?

I'm coming to the UK in April to do a talk in theatres across the country. You can book tickets by going direct to my website (sabadouglashamilton.com) or find out which theatre is closest to you.

Number 2. Where is the speaker?

My name's Harry. I'm 18 years old and I'm currently studying Biology, Chemistry and Maths at school and as you are aware I hope to pursue a career in Medicine.

Number 3. What is the speaker's job?

It was a good match. I think... I was pretty nervous at the start... actually most of the way through I felt myself a bit shaky, but I don't think it affected my tennis too much and I'm so happy I managed to come through.

Number 4. Where is the speaker?

I think it's ok at this point to not know exactly what you want to do, but there will always be teachers and people around to guide you. I had that here, and that's why I'm making the decision to change my classes.

Number 5. What is the man describing?

It's quite a complex system, so we spent a good six or seven weeks in ground school full time and we've just started flying over the last week and we've still got about three weeks to go.

Number 6. What is the woman speaking about?

One of the most important things I learned in my student teaching experience had to have been how important it is to develop relationships with your students.

Number 7. What was the weather like last Saturday?

The weather here has been terrible recently. It snowed last Friday. The last time the sun came out was on Saturday. Since Sunday it has rained every day. I hope it will get better next week because I am going away on holiday

Number 8. What has happened to Peggy Snow?

We are sorry to announce that the piano concert tonight has been cancelled. Peggy Snow has hurt her hand and cannot play tonight. She has gone to London to see her own doctor. The theatre will return the ticket money to everyone who bought tickets.

Number 9. Why can't the man travel with Liz at the weekend?

What are you doing this weekend, Liz.

I'm going to Canberra. I'm playing golf with my brother. Do you want to come?

No, I have to work this weekend. But have a good time in Canberra!

Number 10. What does the man want to do?

I'm going to live in the country. I'm tired of the noise and the dirty air in the city and I want to go somewhere clean, without all the traffic. I'm going to buy a house in a small village and grow my own food.

SECTION 2

Number 11. You will hear a short recording about tigers. Listen to the whole recording once. Then you will hear the recording again with pauses for you to write down what you hear. Make sure you spell the words correctly.

Tigers are the largest cats and they are the most powerful. They can also move extremely quickly. Their familiar orange fur is often covered by black and white marks.

SECTION 3 (PART A)

Numbers 12–16. You will hear an answerphone message. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the message. You will hear the recording twice.

Hello, Sarah. This is Liz. I'm afraid there's been a change in our plans. I had to change the date of the dinner in Liverpool because John couldn't get away on the Friday. So, we are now arriving at the hotel on the afternoon of Saturday the 17th of August, any time after three o'clock. It's the Regent Hotel and it's 45 Cavendish Street, that's C-A-V-E-N-D-I-S-H. It's easy to find but you'll probably want to take a taxi as it's two miles from the train station. You can look up the hotel on the web if you like; the web address is www.regent.co.uk. That's W-W-W-dot-R-E-G-E-N-T-dot-C-O-dot-U-K. We're going to eat at seven-thirty, not in the hotel but in a restaurant next door. I've booked hotel rooms for all of us for two nights. Hope all this isn't a problem for you, but let me know if it is. My mobile number is 07968-445969. That's 07968-445969. Look forward to seeing you on Saturday in Liverpool.

Now listen again

SECTION 3 (PART B)

Questions 17–21. You will hear an airport announcement. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the announcement message. You will hear the recording twice.

This is your captain speaking. First, I'd like to welcome everyone to Tasmanian Airways Flight 459A. We are currently flying at an altitude of 33,000 feet at a speed of 400 miles per hour. The destination time is 5:25 am. The weather is looking good and with the wind in our favour we are expecting to land in London about fifteen minutes ahead of schedule. The weather in London is clear and sunny, with a high of 25 degrees Celsius for three o'clock this afternoon. Some rain is forecast in London tomorrow, if you are staying. We should get a good view of the city as we descend. The cabin crew will be coming around in about twenty minutes time to offer you a light snack and a drink, and the inflight entertainment service will switched on shortly after that. I'll talk to you again before we reach our destination. Until then, sit back, relax and enjoy the rest of the flight.

Now listen again

That is the end of the listening section of the test. Now go on to the other sections of the test.